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Seniors Compete Despite the Heat!



Despite the record high temperatures, Downriver seniors were eager to compete in the 21st annual Downriver Senior Olympics. Senator Bruce Patterson was there to encourage on the 500 senior citizens. “It’s amazing to see the dedication and perseverance of these athletes, especially in this heat!” said Senator Patterson. The seniors started the day with a parade of athletes and the opening ceremony. The 2006 Olympics are hosted by the City of Riverview and sponsored by Wayne County

A History Lesson For 2006



((Photo (left to right): Rep. George Mans (Flat Rock Economic Development Director), Harry Lester (retired director of United Steelworkers), Sen. Patterson))

On Saturday, August 5th, Senator Patterson along with local dignitaries, members of the Brownstown Historical Society and Huron-Clinton Metropark staff dedicated the Battle of Brownstown War of 1812 Memorial. The memorial is located at the S. Gibraltar Road entrance to Lake Erie Metropark.

Senator Patterson said, “The Battle of Brownstown occurred 194 years ago to the day and almost exactly where we are standing. It is my honor to thank all of you who worked so diligently to place this monument in such an appropriate location. And it is also prudent at this time to honor those who lost their lives at this battle and helped secure our freedom.”

George Mans, Flat Rock Economic Development Director, was the master of ceremony. He spoke of all the hard work and dedication that it took to restore this monument to its original appearance. Gerald Wykes, Director of the Marshland Museum at Lake Erie Metropark spoke of the history of the Battle of Brownstown and this War of 1812 Memorial. If you would like to visit Mr. Wykes and learn more about the monument and the history of this area, please visit Lake Erie Metropark or call at (734) 379-5020.

The monument consists of two opposing cannons weighing 8 ½ tons. They sit atop two concrete pedestals. This is the third resting place for the monument that had to be moved from two other locations. Through the hard work of the Brownstown Historical Museum, the Cannon Club members and many local officials and businesses the monument is seated at the public park lands in Lake Erie Metropark.

Upcoming Office Hours

All Office Hours Run From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Tuesday, August 22nd
Mochavation Cafe
68537 Macomb Street
Grosse Ile

Tuesday, Sept 12th
Plymouth Library
223 S. Main Street
Plymouth

Monday, Sept 25th
Flat Rock Library
25200 Gibraltar Rd
Flat Rock

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